

Remarks

A. Status of Claims

This paper amends claims 1, 32, 44, 86, 92, 96 and 98, and cancels claims 30 and 85, without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter recited therein. Claims 1-29, 31-84, and 86-104 remain in this application and are presented for reconsideration.

B. Objection to the Abstract

The Examiner has noted that the Abstract originally filed with this application exceeded the 150 word limit. Attached hereto as a separate sheet is a substitute Abstract of less than 150 words. The substitute Abstract is an edited version of the original Abstract, and does not add new matter. Withdrawal of the objection to the Abstract is respectfully requested.

C. Claim Objections

The Examiner has noted a typographical error in original claim 98, and has kindly suggested a correction to the dependency of that claim. In response claim 98 has been amended to depend from claim 97 rather than from claim 96, and withdrawal of the objection to claim 98 is respectfully requested.

D. Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner has kindly noted that original claims 30 and 85 (among other claims) recite allowable subject matter, and would be allowed if rewritten in independent form including the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

In light of the Examiner's comments, claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of claim 30, and claim 44 has been amended to incorporate the limitations of claim 85. Accordingly, claims 30 and 85 have been cancelled, without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter recited therein. This places claims 1-29, 31 and 44-84 in condition for allowance.

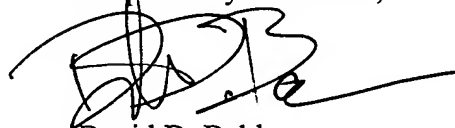
In addition, the angle relationship between the display portion and the desktop portion recited in allowable original claims 30 and 85 has been incorporated into independent apparatus claim 32 and also into independent method claims 86, 92 and 96. Thus these claims, as amended, also recite patentable subject matter for the same reasons as original claims 30 and 85. In light of these amendment, applicant respectfully asserts that claims 32-43, and 86-104 are in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

Applicant believes the foregoing to be a full and complete response to the subject Office Action, and respectfully requests the withdrawal of the rejection of claims 1-29, 31-84 and 86-104, and the issuance of a timely Notice of Allowance for these claims.

Should the Examiner believe that a personal discussion would be helpful, he is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney at 512/536-3005 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

Respectfully submitted,

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